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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROTECTION SWITCHING
IN A NETWORK (As Amended)

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment with a Request for Continued Examination is being filed in response to the Final Office Action, mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 4, 2009 and the Advisory Action, mailed on October 16, 2009, in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated August 4, 2009 for two months, from November 4, 2009 to January 4, 2010 under 37 CFR § 1.136(a).

In lieu of filing a Notice of Appeal, Applicants' Attorney is filing a Request for Continued Examination concurrently herewith.

Please amend the application as follows: